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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting with the Senate Select Committee
on Intelligence to Discuss the Latter's
Investigation into CIA Activities [REDACTED]

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1. On 30 June 1977 a meeting was held in Senator Inouye's office to discuss the SSCI's inquiry into past CIA activities [REDACTED]. Present at this meeting were Senators Inouye, Goldwater and Morgan. The Senate Select Committee Staff was represented by Messrs Miller, Eisenhower and Sanders. CIA was represented by Admiral Turner, DCI, Mr. Cary, OLC, Mr. Dirks, DDS&T and Mr. Shackley, ADDO. The thrust of this meeting focused primarily on an exchange of views as to why the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence thought that it had to pursue an investigation into allegations concerning CIA [REDACTED]. The essence of this dialogue was that the SSCI felt that if it were to maintain its credibility it could not accept at face value CIA's response to questions which had been put to it by the SSCI. In this context it should be noted that the Senators were referring to the Agency's [REDACTED] letter which dealt with the topic of CIA's activities [REDACTED]. In other words, while Senator Inouye thought that the [REDACTED] letter was a detailed response, he felt that this response had to be cross-checked by a SSCI investigation.

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2. A portion of the meeting was devoted to discussing the manner in which CIA would respond to Senator Morgan's Subcommittee on Investigations. The agreements which emerged from this portion of the conversation can be identified as follows:

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a. The CIA I. G. could provide an overview-type certification of their findings concerning whatever inquiries they had made into CIA [REDACTED] This statement could serve in lieu of the SSCI being given access to the full text of any I. G. reports.

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b. The SSCI staff would review CIA files [REDACTED] [REDACTED] at the CIA Headquarters building.

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c. The data which had been requested by the SSCI staff would be available to them in folders no later than 5 July 1977.

3. The DCI gave the assembled senators and their staff a brief overview of past CIA activities [REDACTED] This presentation was supplemented in a brief question and answer session by data which was furnished by Messrs Shackley and Dirks.

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